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In re application of: **Jochen BALS**  
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 For: **HINGE**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Response to Office Action (15 pages)** in the above-identified application.

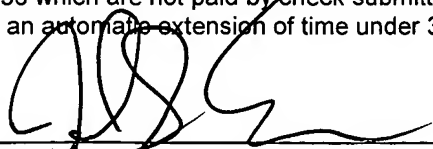
- ☐ Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.  
☐ Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.  
☐ No fee for additional claims is required.  
☒ A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

FOR:	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)		SMALL ENTITY		OR	LARGE ENTITY	
	REMAINING	HIGHEST	PREVIOUSLY	PRESENT	RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
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TOTAL CLAIMS	27 Minus 25	=		2	x \$ 26	\$		x \$ 52	\$ 104
INDEP. CLAIMS	4 Minus 3	=		1	x \$110	\$		x \$220	\$ 220
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$195	\$		+ \$390	\$ 0
					TOTAL: \$		OR	TOTAL: \$	<b>324</b>

- ☒ Also transmitted herewith are:  
☒ Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
☒ Other: **Four (4) pages of Replacement Sheets and a Return receipt postcard.**
- ☐ Check(s) in the amount of **\$1434.00** is/are attached to cover:  
☒ Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16  
☒ Petition fee for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
☐ Other:
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- ☒ Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by check submitted herewith.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.
- ☒ Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.

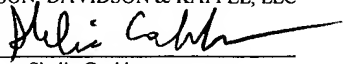
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